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JOHNSTON LETTER.

College Boys and Girls Arriving. Mr. and Mrs. Walton Celebrated Golden Wedding K. of P. Rally Day.

With the arrival of the college boys and girls everything seems brighter and happier and even the town seems to have taken on new life. From Converse college, Misses Annie Crouch and Antoinette Denny; Winthrop, Misses Helen Lewis Fannie Pratt Andrews and Essie Lybrand; Coker college, Misses Lottie Bessie and Isabel Bean, Bessie Ford Turner, Mary Lucia and Elise Mobley and Hallie White; Bliss electrical school, Washington, D. C., W. Wallace Turner and Fletcher Horne; South Carolina University, Staunton Lott and Guy Horne; Wofford, Roland Ouzts and Everett Herlong; Clinton, John Fleming Marsh; Citadel, Mark Toney.

Miss Mary Edwards and Mr. James Culbreath were married last Thursday afternoon at the home of the bride's brother, Mr. Elzie Edwards. The affair was a simple but beautiful one and was witnessed only by the relatives. Rev. Carson performed the ceremony. After congratulations, the happy couple left for their home which is in the Bethlehem section.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Walton celebrated their golden wedding last Tuesday and they had with them on this glad occasion, their brothers and sisters with their families and the day was happily spent. Among the guests was Mr. Caleb Walton a brother of Mr. Walton who is 84 years of age. A regular wedding feast was served and in this was seen the skill of this housekeeper. In the afternoon the hours passed quickly with reminiscences. May this honored couple live to celebrate their diamond wedding.

On new year's day Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Wertz will celebrate their golden wedding, and Christmas day Capt. and Mrs. P. B. Waters will celebrate their golden wedding.

On last Tuesday the K. of P. observed State rally day, and that evening a called meeting was held and first degree work was done, and later the members enjoyed a talk by Dr. D. B. Frontis of Ridge, who is one of the charter members of this lodge. There were also present five other charter members, Messrs. C. D. Kenns, Jeff Wright, W. M. Wright, W. H. Privet and E. L. Yonce. During the latter part of the evening an oyster supper was served.

Mrs. Eleanor Ivy has returned from Greenwich, Conn., after a few months visit with her daughter, Mrs. E. A. Schnell.

Dr. Trotter and family of Wards have moved here, and are domiciled in the Cox dwelling on west main street.

Mr. Mark Cox has gone to New Mexico to spend the remainder of the winter months.

Mrs. Edwin Mobley and Master James have gone to Auburndale, Fla., to spend the holidays in the home of the former's father, Mr. A. J. Mobley.

Thoroughly delightful was the recent meeting of the New Century Club held with Mrs. C. D. Kenny and the writers under discussion gave a pleasant hour, these being a group that have been made famous by one poem and were Nancy Wakefield, poem, "Over the River;" Eliza Cook, "The Old Arm Chair;" Emma C. Willard, "Rocked in the Cradle of the Deep;" Elizabeth Allen, "Rock Me to Sleep, Mother;" Marie LaCoste, "Somebody's darling;" Lady Dufferin, "Lament of the Irish Emigrant;" Jane Taylor, "Twinkle, Twinkle, Little Star;" Frances Mace, "Only Waiting;" Ethel Lyn Beers, "All is Quiet Along the Potomac To-night;" Julia Ward Howe, "Battle Hymn of the Republic." The last mentioned writer helped to organize the first woman's club in America, the New England Woman's Club, this also being one of the oldest clubs in the world. From this New England club has grown the great network of clubs, which like a beneficent railway system of thought and good will penetrates every nook and corner of our country. In these clubs is found the immense power which sympathy exercises in bringing out the best aspirations of the woman nature. The poems of the

Entertainment at Ropers.

On account of sickness in the community, the entertainment that was to have been held at Ropers several weeks ago for the benefit of the school had to be postponed. Elaborate plans are being made for holding this entertainment on December 28. Lunches will be sold to the highest bidder in boxes and supper will also be sold to those who are unable to secure any of the boxes. There will be several attractive features that will afford pleasure for all who attend. The entertainment will be given in order to raise funds with which to make much needed repairs on the school building. The Christmas spirit will prevail and all who attend will enjoy it to the fullest extent. We trust that the teacher, Miss Emmie Lanham, and those who are assisting will be abundantly rewarded for their efforts by realizing all of the money that is needed for the school. We feel confident that the entertainment will be largely patronized.

writers, which had been set to music, were sung by some of the members. After this program had been enjoyed, and during the intermingling of the members and invited guests, the hostess served a tempting repast.

The division circle meeting of the Ridge association which was held with the Ward Baptist church last Saturday was a spiritual and heart-to-heart meeting, and those that braved the weather minded it not after such a day. The opening devotional was led by Mrs. W. J. Hatcher, who spoke upon the theme of God's love for us, using John 3:16 upon which to base her remarks. Reports were heard from all the churches, and there seemed to be a note of encouragement along all lines. Mrs. T. H. Posey gave a splendid paper on the "Christmas Offering," and in this she brought out some beautiful thoughts. Mrs. Cannada presented the Edisto academy, telling of their work and their plans, and also told of their needs. At the noon hour a bountiful lunch with hot coffee was served, followed by sweets. In the afternoon Mrs. Cannada led the devotional, her theme being "Our Love for God." She also gave some of her experiences in Brazil, where she was a missionary seven years. Mrs. L. C. Latimer gave a full report of the State W. M. U. convention. Mrs. W. J. Hatcher closed the meeting with a praise and prayer service, all taking part.

Misses Jessie and Lola Wilson of Anderson will spend the holidays in the home of their uncle, Mr. O. D. Black.

Mrs. Ollie Hamilton of Middlebrook, Va., will arrive on the 28th to spend awhile in the home of her mother, Mrs. A. C. Mobley.

Mr. Lewis Blount and family have moved to the Bacon farm.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Boyd have gone to Charlotte to spend the holidays.

The sacred concert that was to have been held on Sunday evening, December 26, has been postponed for a short while as the choir director, Mr. Boyd, and several of the members of the choir will be out of town for the holidays.

Mrs. Lona White Ivy and Mr. Knight of Hephzibah, Ga., were married last week at Greenwood. The bride is pleasantly remembered both here and at Edgefield, having resided in both towns.

Mrs. Pollard died at her home near Rocky Creek church on Saturday, and was buried at the burying ground at Bethlehem on Sunday morning. Mrs. Pollard has for a long time been identified with this community, and will be greatly missed. She leaves a large family of children all grown to maturity.

The preliminary survey for water works for the town is being made, and the movement may be successful, as there is added interest, the mayor and council being backed by many who have the interests of the town at heart.

Mrs. Harriet Kenny is quite ill at the home of her niece, Mrs. James White. A few days ago she suffered a fall which her physicians pronounced a forerunner of paralysis, and being at an advanced age her condition is serious.

We have given our center counters to Santa Claus. Here you will find many toys for the children. Smith-Marsh Co.

D. A. R. Meeting.

One of the most interesting meetings of the D. A. R. yet held, was the one which took place on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Mamie N. Tillman the hostess.

The special subject of the occasion was "The Indians," and the program as appears in the year book was carried out.

Mrs. J. R. Tompkins sang that beautiful selection, "In the land of the sky blue water," and Mrs. Shannonhouse revived old memories by singing that old time Indian melody, "The blue Juniata."

A statement concerning "Catechee, the Indian maiden," was made by Mrs. J. R. Cantelou, the authenticity of this story never having been fully established or refuted.

Mrs. J. H. Cantelou read a delightful paper on the "Indians and their relation to the early settlers." Mrs. Tillman gave some very interesting incidents of her trip over the original trail this fall in going to Seattle and of the Indians, the Hopi, Navajo and other tribes seen at the Grand Canyon and in Arizona. She also exhibited a number of pictures of places grown great and powerful which were once only Indian trading ports in the great northwest.

Refreshments of block fruit cake, cream and coffee, and Charlotte Russe were served.

F. A. M.

Y. W. A. Meeting.

Mrs. C. J. Dennis, the enterprising and popular leader of the Young Woman's Auxiliary entertained that organization very pleasantly at her home on Tuesday afternoon, having sent out very original post card invitations several days previous. A lovely program was carried out consisting of a reading by Miss Ruth Tompkins, an article on China, the subject of the meeting, by Miss Ruth Strom; "Helen's bright ideas," by Mrs. E. P. Jones and music by Miss Helen Dorn. Everywhere was beautifully decorated in holly and the colors of green and red, so appropriate for the Christmas season.

When the program was finished the Christmas offering was taken up and the girls repaired to the dining room, where a most attractive menu in two courses, salad and sweets, was served buffet style. The hostess presented each member of the Y. W. A. with a beautiful hand-embroidered handkerchief as a souvenir.

Gen. Gorgas Visits Edgefield Cousins.

Maj. Gen. William C. Gorgas of the United States army, the man who made the construction of the Panama canal possible by the marvelous improvement of sanitary conditions in the canal zone, returned to Washington from the Southern Commercial congress in Charleston by way of Edgefield, spending Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning here with Capt. and Mrs. S. B. Hughes. Mrs. Hughes is a first cousin of Dr. Gorgas and originally came from Alabama to Edgefield, being Miss Sallie Crawford before her marriage. While here Dr. Gorgas also visited other relatives, Mrs. Elizabeth Adams and Mrs. J. L. Mims. The distinguished visitor left Sunday morning for the North.

Penalty Will be Added After December 31.

We feel it to be our duty to give official notice that this year the penalty will be added, as provided by law, to all taxes not paid by January 1, 1916. Heretofore, it has been the custom to waive this penalty in this county, but the Comptroller General has given notice that it must be added this year as required by law. Let all taxpayers take notice that the penalty will be added as follows: One per cent for January, and if taxes are not paid on or before February 1, a penalty of two per cent will be added. Five per cent will be added from the first to the 15th of March, after which date all unpaid taxes will be collected by the sheriff. Adding the penalty is not optional with us. The law forces us to do it.

Jas. T. Mims, Treas.
J. R. Timmerman, Auditor.

For Christmas.

For father, brother or gentleman friend nothing is more suitable than a stick pin or pair of gold links. Penn & Holstein.

Parkville's Box Party.

No better tribute could be paid to the charm and beauty of the young girls of Parkville than the fact that in spite of wind and rain so big a crowd of hungry friends and we had almost said thirsty admirers, but that the old, old days are past and better ones come, gathered to their box party in Woodmen's hall on the night of Friday the seventh.

From east and west and north and south they came and the bidding was brisk and the premiums were high for the dainties that the young ladies had to offer. The only unhappy people in the gathering were the unsuccessful and therefore hungry bidders. Dr. Blackwell made a good auctioneer and might have become famous in the profession had he not chosen rather to follow Escalapius.

The cake for the prettiest girl was bid in for Miss Ruby Stone with Miss Claudia Barrett a close second. Mr. Sawyer was the ardent and decisive bidder and in revenge the boys of Parkville voted to him the cake for the most homely man in the crowd. Only as handsome and substantial a man as Mr. Sawyer could stand the doubtful compliment gracefully.

The proceeds of the sale which were generous will go to Parkville's welfare association. The next community affair will be the Christmas tree at the church where every one large and small will get a present.

College Boys and Girls.

Almost every train brings in another installment of college boys and girls who have come to spend the Christmas vacation at home. Walter Cantelou, Egbert Morgan, Harry Strom and Rainsford Cantelou have arrived from the B. M. I., Miss Gladys Padgett from the G. W. O., Miss Helen Tillman from H. O., Miss Nell Jones from Converse, Miss Katherine Mims from Winthrop, Gill Danovant and John Mims from Wofford, Arthur and Gus Tompkins from Davidson, Harold Norris, Edgar Strother, Goode Reel, Elliot and Irvin Padgett from Clemson, Francis Sheppard from the Citadel, Miss Evelyn Broadwater, Miss Florence Mims, Misses Lena and Minnie Lanham, Misses Alma and Emmie DeLoach from Coker, and Miss Marion Bailey from Chicora.

Entertainment in Opera House.

The ladies of the Methodist church have planned to give an entertainment in the opera house Monday night of next week in order to raise funds with which to make improvements on the parsonage. In addition to moving picture reels that will prove to be of special interest a varied program will be given, consisting of vocal and instrumental music, readings and recitations. Edgefield's best talent has been enlisted for the entertainment which assures its success. Let's give the ladies a large house on this occasion, thus aiding in a worthy cause.

For Farm Boys and Girls.

It's an unusual thing for a Southern paper to announce articles for publication from secretary McAdoo, secretary Houston, secretary Lane, secretary Daniels, Thomas A. Edison, Rear Admiral Peary, Cuamp Clark, Henry Cabot Lodge, Luther Burbank, John Burroughs, Senator Tillman, James Whitcomb Riley and Lyman Abbott; but all these men—and a long list of others—have sent contributions for a series of "Success Talks" for southern farm boys and girls in the Progressive Farmer during 1916.

Other Progressive Farmer features include a 52-week "Reading course in good farming," giving the boy who cannot go to college the fundamentals of agricultural science, and a similar course for girls under the heading, "How the wide-awake girls learned good housekeeping."

Every farmer who has boys or girls between 10 and 18 ought to be on the lookout for these articles. You cannot do much with a man after he is forty or with a woman after she admits that she is thirty. So it is best to work with the children. I long for the time to come when water will be no wetter when we are to go to a temperance meeting than a theatre or bridge whist party. No man is willing to father the saloon; it never was mothered! —Rev. Anna H. Shaw.

Death of Mr. M. A. Watson, Sr.

One by one the Confederate veterans are taken from earth's activities to take their place in the great re-union on the other shore. It appears that death breaks their thinning ranks with increasing rapidity as the years pass. The last one to be called hence in the county was Mr. Milton A. Watson who died at his home seven miles north of Edgefield Monday morning. For more than a year his health and strength had been failing, but not until the past two months was he confined to his home. His Edgefield friends have greatly missed him, his enfeebled condition causing him to fail to make his regular visits to the county seat. He always had a kindly smile and cordial greeting for all he met, his jovial generous nature causing him to be highly esteemed by a large circle of friends.

Mr. Watson was a gallant veteran of the sixties. He was among the men who turned their backs upon home and all that was dear to them and gave themselves to their country, the Southern Confederacy, for four years. The men who wore the gray will never cease to be honored by the people of this day and the countless generations that shall follow. Mr. Watson was a descendant of an old and greatly honored Revolutionary family who settled in the Ridge Spring section of Edgefield district. His only surviving brother, the Hon. Robert Watson, in the community where they were reared.

Mr. Watson leaves his wife, four daughters, Mrs. J. P. Ouzts, Mrs. F. L. Timmerman, Mrs. W. R. Swearingen and Miss Ruby Watson, and three sons, M. A. Watson, Jr., Frank Watson and Sloan Watson.

The funeral was held at Berea church Tuesday afternoon, the Rev. H. B. White officiating.

Union and Welcome Service.

The regular monthly union service was held Sunday night at the Methodist church. The sermon was preached by the new Methodist pastor, Rev. A. L. Gunter, using the eighth verse of the second chapter of Ephesians as a text. At the close of the sermon a welcome service was held, this being in charge of Dr. E. P. Jones. The Rev. E. C. Bailey spoke at some length of the beautiful harmony that exists between the churches of Edgefield and closed with a very cordial greeting to the new pastor from the Presbyterian church. Rev. R. G. Shannonhouse brought a message of sincere welcome from the Episcopal congregation, and Dr. E. Pendleton Jones spoke for the Baptists of the community, likewise extending cordial greetings. In responding, Mr. Gunter stated that he hoped to be of service to the entire community and pledged himself to do his utmost while in Edgefield to foster and promote the cordial fellowship that exists between the Christian people.

Hard Times—But

It is stated that for every dollar spent for school books in this country, more than two hundred dollars are spent for cigars and cigarettes. When a nation spends two hundred times as much for a thing which is an injury and a nuisance as it does for a necessity, is it any wonder we have a "hard times" cry? Men walk the streets looking for a job and countless thousands ask daily for charity but they seem to be able to find money some way for tobacco, and most of them add booze to tobacco. If the billions of dollars wasted in strong drink, and burned up in tobacco were used for better purposes, would we not hear less about "hard times?"—Selected.

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PLUM BRANCH.

New Minister Arrives. Bodie-Moore Marriage. Illness of Mrs. Sturkey. W. M. U. Very Active.

On last Sunday morning at eleven o'clock Rev. Robert Roundtree delivered a most excellent sermon in the Methodist church, his scripture lesson being the eleventh chapter of St. John's gospel. His main theme was "Men, are the light of the world, yet men love darkness, rather than light." Surely if this able messenger of God keeps on in the way he has started with his new congregation much good will be accomplished in and around Plum Branch. Brother Roundtree expects to move here the last of Christmas week, or the first week of the new year. We welcome this good man and his wife in our little town. We hope by their coming the whole town and community will be revived in the work of our Master.

On next Sunday morning at eleven o'clock, Rev. Geo. M. Sexton will preach his last time to our good Baptist people, after which he will move down in the lower part of the State, where he commences his new work.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Bodie extend to their many friends an invitation to attend the church wedding of their daughter, Nellie, to Mr. Moore, on next Sunday morning in the Baptist church, immediately after preaching service.

There will be a Christmas tree in the Baptist church on next Wednesday night, Dec. 22. This tree is under the management of the Sunday school. They invited the school of the Methodist church to take part, and this school cheerfully accepted the invitation and appointed a committee to confer with the committee of the Baptist school, so everything is working fine. The exercises for that night will be given by the Y. W. A. girls, and a few of the Sunbeam children. Little children, be good for old Santa will surely be there with lots of nice things. While we are happy that the holidays are so near by, yet our hearts are sad as we think of the continued illness of our friend and neighbor Mrs. Malcolm Sturkey who has been in a serious condition since the night of Thanksgiving. Our hearts go out in sympathy to the husband and children of this good woman in their hour of sadness. Surely death itself could not be sadder.

The W. M. U. ladies of the Baptist church held their regular meeting on last Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. H. Banks. Although the day was gloomy, yet quite a number of ladies were present, readily expressing themselves ready to do anything that was for the betterment of our work. We are glad to say that this W. M. U. work is gradually growing. The ladies gave as their thank offering a fine crate of chickens to the Connie Maxwell Orphanage. The crate contained twenty-seven fowls. Although they were mixed breeds, they were fat and fine. Don't say ladies can't work when they set their heads to, for these ladies bought a nice three hundred dollar piano for their church on the 15th day of last March and now, every cent has been paid on it. And these ladies did not fail in meeting their apportionments either, for the various mission causes.

Well, Mr. Editor, we wish you and yours a merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

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